Project Overview

Strengthening Monitoring and Quality

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This initiative aims to improve the quality assurance and quality improvement supports for the HCBS waiver program for persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Brain Injury, and Other Related Conditions.

Providing quality assurance of our Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waiver programs is essential for those receiving services. HCBS waiver program for persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Brain Injury, and Other Related Conditions (MaineCare Policy Manual, Sections 18, 20, 21 and 29) will add contracted positions to our district offices. These positions will increase efforts related to the monitoring and Technical Assistance (TA) support to agencies regarding reportable events, develop plans of correction as needed, and develop and initiate Maine's ongoing monitoring plan as outlined in the state's Transition to Compliance plan, which was submitted to CMS in July 2022.



Project Details

Started:

January 14, 2022

Projected Completion

March 31, 2025

Links

Adults with Intellectual and Developmental Disability and/or Autism

The Community of Practice in Maine

Initiatives

Policy & Planning

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Outcomes to Date

Since July 2022, DHHS has been working with staffing agencies to hire and onboard staff. Hiring is complete as of 9/13/23, including hiring the Quality Program Coordinator. A work plan has been created to address QA/QI needs throughout DSS services.

Next Steps:

Continue to develop outcomes and outputs for DSS services and enhance existing monitoring activities.